(b) whether the Government have any proposal to construct any buildings for the school; and

(c) if so, when the work is likely to be taken up?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir. The classes are conducted in two buildings at a distance from one another and this arrangement presents some difficulties.

" (b) & (c) It is proposed to construct an additional building for the school. The matter is under consideration."

Classification of the shares of the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation as a Trustee Security.

*296 Q.—SRI T. ANANTA PAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state whether the shares of the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation have been classified as a Trustee Security under the Indian Trusts Act?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" No, Sir."

Regularization of the services of the Prohibition Sub-Inspectors.

*297 Q.—SRI M. DHARMALINGAM : Will the Hon the Minister for Prohibition be pleased to state—

(a) whether the clerks working in the Excise Department were recruited as Prohibition Sub-Inspectors at the time of the introduction of the Prohibition Act and after;

(b) if so, how many;

(c) in how many of those cases, their services as Prohibition Sub-Inspectors were regularized and in how many cases they were not so regularized;

(d) the reasons why they were not regularized; and

(e) whether the Government have any proposal to regularize their services?

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM :—" (a) Yes, Sir, clerks working in the Excise Department were being recruited as Sub-Inspectors before and after the introduction of prohibition.

" (b) Forty clerks so recruited since 1947 are now working as Sub-Inspectors in the residuary State.

" (c) In two cases the appointments were regularized, and the appointments of others were not regularized.

" (d) From 1937 to 1946, there was no direct recruitment of Sub-Inspectors. All vacancies which arose during this period were filled by appointment by transfer of the clerks in the Excise department. With the re-introduction of Prohibition in 1946, direct recruitment of Sub-Inspectors was re-introduced. Further there was at that time a grave shortage of

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clerks. The Board therefore ordered that the appointment of clerks as Sub-Inspectors even temporarily should be suspended. The order was subsequently reconsidered and in January 1948 it was decided that clerks should continue to be appointed as Sub-Inspectors but only on a temporary basis as it was feared that Police department would not be willing to take all such Sub-Inspectors in the event of enforcement work being transferred to that department. Subsequently in 1950, the question was raised whether it was not desirable to stop the recruitment of clerks to executive posts in the Excise Prohibition Department and pending final orders on this question, the Government suspended recruitment of clerks as Sub-Inspectors. Final orders were passed sanctioning the continuance of the recruitment of clerks as Sub-Inspectors in 1951, but till then the Board did not take up the question of regularizing the temporary appointments of the Sub-Inspectors, as the whole question was in a nebulous state. In December 1952, the Board submitted proposals for the regularization of these temporary appointments, but the question was deferred pending a decision on the question of the ultimate agency for the enforcement of prohibition and in view of the formation of the Andhra State.

" (e) Yes, Sir."

Building grant for the Board High School, Coondapoor.

* 298 Q.—SRI Y. MANJAYA SHETTY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the South Kanara District Board has applied for a building grant to construct a 'Hall' for the Board High School, Coondapoor; and

(b) if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) Yes, Sir.

" (b) The question of admitting the scheme to aid from State funds is under consideration."

Disputes between the employees and the respective managements of Messrs. Parry & Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Best & Co., Ltd., Madras.

* 299 Q.—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI : Will the hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to settle the industrial disputes between the employees and the managements of Messrs. Parry & Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Best & Co., Ltd., Madras, respectively?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" In accordance with the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947, the Labour Officer, Madras, held conciliation proceedings in the disputes